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MEMORANDUM FOR: Acting Deputy Director (Administration)

SUBJECT: Agency Financial Statement as of 31 December 1953

- 1. The presentation of the Agency Financial Statement is in the process of evolution. The changes made in the substance and format of this report have involved experimentation and numerous conferences in order to improve the statement presentation. This has delayed the submission of this issue. Improvements are being made in each succeeding report, and it is contemplated that the interval between the close of the period and the presentation of the report will be substantially reduced in the future. In this issue covering the period ending 31 December the following changes have been made:
 - a. A breakdown of data under Commo and Training has been added.
 - b. More detailed information has been furnished in the section pertaining to DD/I activities.
 - c. A comparison of the first six months' activities for the fiscal years 1952, 1953, and 1954 has been given. The remaining balances of appropriations have been segregated to show the funds available for operations, amounts reserved for contingencies, and amounts unavailable for operations.
 - d. More complete data on real estate and construction has been included.
 - e. The elimination of items suggested by the ADD/A, memorandum of 30 January, has reduced the size of the report.
 - 2. Items contained in this report meriting brief comment are:
 - a. As of the close of the period covered, unobligated allotments were Of this, was in the DD/P area, due largely to a decision not to initiate certain overseas projects which had been contemplated when the estimates were prepared. Allotment adjustments in the DD/P and DD/I areas subsequent to this report have brought the obligations into closer agreement with allotments (see Part I. pages 1 and 2).

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c. An examination of the distribution of obligations by organizational element indicates only minor shifts over the last three fiscal years. On the other hand, an examination by geographical area indicates a more marked change. A

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(see Table 8, Part II, page 12).

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3. Additional improvements are contemplated in the next report for the period ending 31 March 1954. This office will continue its efforts to develop a better and more concise report containing the necessary data for management.



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